GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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Marble Export
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of marble exported during each of the last three years and the current year and the amount of foreign exchange earned therefrom, countrywise;
(b) whether the export of marble has declined recently;
(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
(d) the remedial measures taken by the Government to promote export of marble and growth of this industry in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) Export of Marble & Products during the last three years:-

Value In US$ Million
2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 (April-October)
Marble and Products 48.66 46.83 37.87 22.62

Quantity In MT
2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 (April-October)
Marble and Products 233.54 215.43 182.55 104.19

[Source: DGCIS]

Country-wise exports to top 10 importing countries may be seen at ANNEXURE- I

(b) & (c): Yes, Madam. Export of marble & products thereof have declined by -3.76% in 2014-15 and -19.13% in 2015-16 due to fall in demand in international market.

(d): To promote exports, Government provides assistance to respective Export Promotion Councils for participation in various International trade fairs / exhibitions, organizing Reverse Buyer Seller Meets under Market Access Initiative (MAI) & Market Development Assistance (MDA) schemes.

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ANNEXURE - I
TOP 10 IMPORTERS OF MARBLE FROM INDIA:
(USD $ Million)
Importers Exported value in 2013 Exported value in 2014 Exported value in 2015
United States of America 5.67 3.48 3.22
Egypt 3.55 6.42 6.56
China 13.73 9.57 7.97
Nepal 7.14 9.4 8.36
Italy 2.91 3.79 1.87
Saudi Arabia 0.39 0.62 0.51
United Arab Emirates 0.91 0.53 0.99
Algeria 0.33 0.22 0.23
Turkey 0.78 0.32 0.09
Canada 0.16 0.21 0.37